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In re the Application of: Yasushige NAKAMURA et al.

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FOR: IMAGE FORMING TONER, 2-COMPONENT DEVELOPER, IMAGE FORMING
METHOD AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING IMAGE FORMING TONER

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Date: August 3, 2002

In response to the Office Action dated May 3, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 12.

Please amend claims 9, 11, 13, 14, 16-19 and 22 as follows:

Surf Cr. 9. (Amended) An image forming method comprising:

a step of forming an image on a medium by using a developer comprising a toner in which the amount of the toner measured by gel permeation chromatography to have a weight average molecular weight of 500 to 1000 is less than 10 parts by weight with respect to 100 parts by weight of the entire toner;

a step of performing flash fixation of the toner on said medium, and

a step of collecting with a filter a sublimate of a binder of the toner caused by the flash fixing.

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